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Applicant: Jianhua FAN Serial No: 09/578,437

Filed:

May 25, 2000

Examiner: GELLNER, J Group Art Unit: 3643

Title: Self Watering Tray

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### REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

**Box-RCE Assistant Commissioner for Patents** Washington, D. C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Continued Examination application of prior pending patent application Serial No: 09/578,437, filed May 25, 2000, entitled SELF WATER TRAY, by the inventor: Jianhua Fan.

> 5800 Maudina Ave Apt. C-2 Nashville, TN 37209 Phone/fax615356-3211

Respectfully submitted

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED PROSECUTION APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d)

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Dear Sir:

This is a request for filing a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR § 1.53(d) of prior pending patent application Serial No. 09/578,437, filed May 25, 2000, entitled SELF WATERING TRAYby the following inventor:

		First Given Name	Second Given Name
Full Name Of Inventor	Family Name FAN	JIAN HUA	Country of Citizenship
Residence & Citizenship	City NASHVILLE	State or Foreign Country TENNESSEE	USA State & Zip Code/Country
Post Office Address	Post Office Address 5800 MAUDINA AVENUE, #C2	NASHVII LF	TENNESSEE 37209/USA

The above-identified prior application in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred, is hereby expressly abandoned as of the filing date of this new application. Please use all the contents of the prior application file wrapper, including the drawings, as the basic papers for the new application.

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A preliminary amendment is enclosed. ×

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		Respectfully submitted, 5800 MAUDINA AVE. APT. C-2 NASHVILLE, TN 37209 Phone 615/356-3211

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Dear Sir:

I am transmitting herewith the attached:

- # Transmittal Sheet, in duplicate, containing Certificate of Mailing
- # Request for Continued Examination(RCE)
- # Request for Continued Prosecution Application
- # Amendment and Response to the Office Action
- # A check in the amount of \$370.00 to cover the Continued Prosection Fee
- # A return postcard

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if approriate. Please charge any additional fees which may be required by this paper to Account No. 50-1687. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

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Title:

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### Amendment and Response

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 5, 2002, please amend this application as follows:

### In the Claims

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1.

A self watering tray for a plant pot, comprising:

a plate, the plate having side walls and a bottom wall, the plate holding

fluid; and

at least one wick accompanied with the plate which provides a fluid conduit capable of sucking fluid from the plate; and